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SUBJECT: UK NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE X OF 1954 OIL

POLLUTION CONVENTION OF OIL DISCHARGE BY US

REGISTERED VESSEL "TAMARA GULDEN"

1. EMBASSY RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING NOTE FROM UK DATED
22 JULY RE SUBJECT DISCHARGE. UK WOULD APPRECIATE A
REPORT ON US INVESTIGATIONS OF THE INCIDENT. THE PHOTO-
GRAPHS AND LABORATORY ANALYSIS REFERRED TO IN THE NOTE
ARE BEING POUCHED SEPARATELY.

2. BEGIN QUOTE: THE FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE
PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE AMERICAN EMBASSY AND HAS
THE HONOUR TO INFORM THE US EMBASSY THAT A REPORT HAS
BEEN RECEIVED THAT AT 1133 HRS BST ON 30 MAY A ROYAL
NAVY AIRCRAFT OBSERVED THE ABOVE-NAMED VESSEL DISCHARG-
ING AN OILY MIXTURE INTO THE SEA IN POSITION 50 DEGREES
24'N 2 DEGREES 54'W 248 DEGREES PORTLAND BILL LIGHT
16.8 MILES, LEAVING A SLICK ABOUT 10 MILES LONG. PHOTO-
GRAPHS, SHOWING THE POLLUTION AND IDENTIFYING THE
VESSEL, WERE TAKEN BY THE AIRCRAFT AND A SET IS ENCLOSED.
THE NAVAL VESSEL HMS "PHOEBE" SIGHTED THE "TAMARA
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GULDEN" AT 1215 HRS BST ON 30 MAY IN POSITION 50 DEGREES
24.2'N 2 DEGREES 35.8'W AND OBTAINED A SAMPLE OF THE
POLLUTION FROM THE WAKE, WHICH WAS DESCRIBED AS BEING
AT LEAST FIVE MILES IN LENGTH, CONTAINING GLOBULES OF
CRUDE OIL WHICH APPEARED TO BE BREAKING DOWN IN PALE
WHITE SOLVENT. THE SAMPLE HAS BEEN ANALYSED BY THE
LABORATORY OF THE GOVERNMENT CHEMIST AND A COPY OF THE

ANALYST'S REPORT IS ENCLOSED. A MORE DETAILED ANALYSIS CAN BE CARRIED OUT IF REQUIRED. THE "TAMARA GULDEN" IS A BULK CARRIER OF 15,035 GRT REGISTERED IN NEW YORK AND IS OWNED BY TRANSPORT COMMERCIAL CORPORATION, 42 BROADWAY, NEW YORK 4.

THE FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF THE EMBASSY WOULD ASK THE UNITED STATES AUTHORITIES TO INVESTIGATE THIS INCIDENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE X OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE PREVENTION OF POLLUTION OF THE SEA BY OIL 1954, AND TO KNOW THE OUT-COME OF THEIR ENQUIRIES IN DUE COURSE. END QUOTE.

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